

United States District Court for the District of New Mexico *continued*

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 Education: Notre Dame 1975 BA, 1979 JD  
 Began Service: 1993  
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
 Political Affiliation: Democrat



**Government:** Public Defender, Public Defender Department, State of New Mexico (1979-1981)

**Legal Practice:** Jones, Snead, Wertheim, Rodriguez & Wentworth, P.A. (1981-1993)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; New Mexico Women's Bar Association; State Bar of New Mexico; The U.S.-Mexico Law Institute

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**Bruce D. Black**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
 Education: Albion 1969 BA; Michigan 1971 JD  
 Began Service: January 18, 1996  
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
 Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Judicial:** Judge, New Mexico Court of Appeals (1991-1996)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A. (1972-1975); Associate, Campbell & Bingham

**Current Memberships:** The H. Vearle Payne American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; American Judicature Society

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**M. Christina Armijo**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1951  
 Education: New Mexico 1972 BA, 1975 JD  
 Began Service: November 15, 2001  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
 Political Affiliation: Republican

**Judicial:** Judge, New Mexico Court of Appeals (1996-2001)

**Legal Practice:** Staff Attorney, Sandoval County Legal Services (1976-1978); Solo Practitioner (1978-1996)

**Current Memberships:** The Oliver Seth American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; State Bar of New Mexico

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**William P. Johnson**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1959  
 Education: Virginia Military Inst 1981 BA; Washington and Lee 1985 JD  
 Began Service: December 28, 2001  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Judicial:** Judge, New Mexico Fifth Judicial District Court (1995-2001)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. (1985-1986); Associate, Hinkle, Hensley, Shanor & Martin, L.L.P. (1986-1989); Partner, Hinkle, Hensley, Shanor & Martin, L.L.P. (1990-1995)

**Military Service:** United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1981-1990)

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**James O. Browning**  
District Judge

Education: Yale 1978 BA; Virginia 1981 JD  
 Began Service: August 6, 2003  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Circuit Judge Collins J. Seitz, United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (1981-1982); Law Clerk Lewis F. Powell, Jr., Supreme Court of the United States (1982-1983)

**Government:** Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of New Mexico (1987-1988)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Rodey, Dickason, Sloan, Akin & Robb, P.A. (1983-1987)

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**Robert C. Brack**

District Judge

Education: Eastern New Mexico 1975 BA; New Mexico 1978 JD  
 Began Service: July 28, 2003  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Judicial:** District Judge, Ninth Judicial District, New Mexico (1997-2003)

**Profession:** Private Practice (1978-1997)

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**Judith C. Herrera**

District Judge

Education: New Mexico 1976 BA; Georgetown 1979 JD  
 Began Service: June 2004

**Academic:** Regent, Board of Regents, University of New Mexico

**Government:** Assistant District Attorney, City of Santa Fe, New Mexico (1979-1980); Council Member, Office of the Mayor and City Council, City of Santa Fe, New Mexico (1981-1986)

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**John E. Conway**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934  
 Education: Naval Acad 1956 BS; Washburn 1963 LLB  
 Began Service: July 3, 1986  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
 Political Affiliation: Republican

**Government:** State Senator (R-NM), New Mexico State Senate (1971-1980); Minority Floor Leader, New Mexico Senate (1972-1980); Chairman, Disciplinary Board of the New Mexico Supreme Court, State of New Mexico (1981-1985); Chairman, Governor's Organized Crime Prevention Commission, State of New Mexico (1985-1986)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Matias A. Zamora Law Office (1963-1964); Partner, Wilkinson, Durrett & Conway (1964-1967); Partner, Durrett, Conway & Jordan (1967-1980); Montgomery & Andrews, P.A. (1980-1986)

**Military Service:** United States Air Force (1956-1960); United States Air Force Reserve (1960-1970)

**Current Memberships:** Albuquerque Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; State Bar of New Mexico; Tenth Judicial Circuit Bar Association

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**James A. Parker**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1937  
 Education: Rice 1959 BA; Texas 1962 LLB  
 Began Service: November 13, 1987  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Legal Practice:** Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, PA (1962-1987)

**Current Memberships:** Albuquerque Bar Association; American Board of Trial Advocates; American Judicature Society; Federal Judges Association; State Bar of New Mexico; New Mexico Bar Foundation, State Bar of New Mexico

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